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## Whittier Man Pleads to Driving Vehicle into Gym

A 34-year old man has entered a no contest plea for purposely driving a vehicle into a La Mirada gym, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Sergio Gabriel Reyes of Whittier entered the plea yesterday to one count of assault with a deadly weapon, an automobile.

Deputy District Attorney Robert Villa said Reyes was immediately sentenced to nine years in state prison as a result of the negotiated plea.

In March 2019, the defendant's gym membership was terminated due to alleged inappropriate behavior. Reyes had disputes with gym personnel and stated he would return, the prosecutor said.

On March 19, 2019, Reyes took a relative's vehicle, drove to the gym and crashed through the front window where an employee was standing at the reception desk, nearly hitting the employee. The defendant fled the scene and was arrested shortly thereafter, the prosecutor added.

Case VA150270 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Norwalk Station.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.